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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. [Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114] a. [] Previously submitted i. [] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____ iii. [] Other _ b. [X] Enclosed i. [] Amendment/Reply
ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. [X] Other Preliminary Amendment in RCE 2. [Miscellaneous] a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) 3. [Fees] The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-2468 03/10/2008 SDENBOR3 00000003 10587687 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) ii. [] Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:2891 405.00 OP iii. [] Other b. [] Check in the amount of \$ 405.00 enclosed c. [] Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED 29,298 Name (Print/Type) Frederick J. Dorcha Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Signature March 6, 2008 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING EM 171 584 965 US EXPRESS MAIL NO. Date of Deposit: March 6, 2008 I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10, on the date indicated above, and is addressed to the Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450